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SENATOR COORDSEN: I'm trying to move things along. I do apologize for that. Mr. Speaker, to open on your motion.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Thank you, Mr. President. Members of the Legislature, although that'd be a very convenient vote, I should open and explain why I'm doing...I had a...I have an amendment that was filed to LB 1105, which was the regulation of the Segway that you all had the opportunity to ride on and see. And that was germane to the underlying bill of LB 1105. LB 1105 has changed its appearance and its subject matter at this point, and I think it's probably prudent for me to follow what I think is a good process and let people know that even though it was germane to the underlying amendment, now with this new sub...or this new amendment it probably is not germane. And I'd ask the body to suspend the germaneness rule to allow the consideration of my amendment that we're going to talk about here in a little bit. I'd be happy to answer any questions. Basically, what the bill is it allows for the state and municipalities, they acknowledge the Segway device, and they allow local governments to regulate them, and it's basically an authorization of local control. That is what is in the original bill. That's what is in the amendment. I'd be happy to talk more about that, but I think the first, the sound process is to suspend the germaneness rule at this point in time. Thank you, Mr. President.

SENATOR COORDSEN: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Senator Beutler, did you wish to speak to the rule suspension motion?

SENATOR BEUTLER: I do, Senator Coordsen. I'm sorry, Senator Kristensen, I didn't understand what the bill was about. Could you tell me again what the bill was about? Not the subject matter, but exactly what it does, or what it...what it's trying to do.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Sure, I would be glad to do so. It is LB 796, which was introduced this year. For your purposes, do you...do you know what the Segway is?

SENATOR BEUTLER: No.